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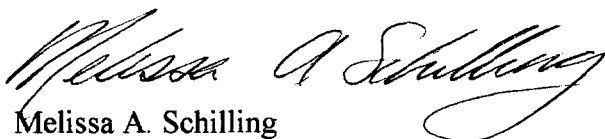
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Dear Mr. Jaffe,

I am writing to express my support of the petition to ban the forced molting of layer hens (docket 98P-0203/CP). I also would like the US FDA to take a more active role in implementing and enforcing much more humane regulations about the caging of domestic and medical animals in general. One of the major principles of our country's government is to not allow others to be exploited or treated cruelly; we cannot pretend not to notice when we inflict such suffering on non-human animals. We can advance our own humanity by exercising our option to be kinder—by becoming more humane.

Thank you for your attention to this letter.  
Sincerely,

  
Melissa A. Schilling

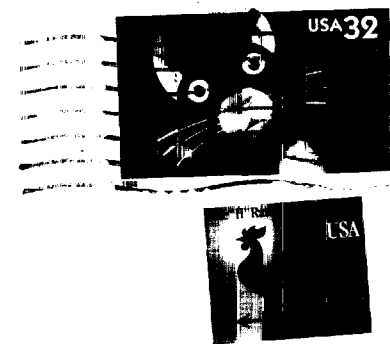
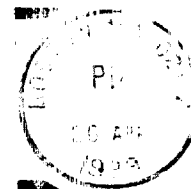
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